

**Village of Arcanum Council Meeting
October 14, 2025
7:00 p.m. Regular Session**

Call to Order – Mayor Bonnie Millard opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance along with all present members of Council.

Roll Call – The following council members were present: David Hartley, Eric VanHoose, Jerry Boolman, Tammy Bruner and Rick Genovesi. Also in attendance were Solicitor Nicole Pohlman, VA Marcus Ballinger, and Fiscal Officer Karen Deao.

Council Member Boolman moved to excuse Council Member Burns. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed. ****Council Member Bruns arrived at the meeting at 7:07 pm****

Meeting Minutes – Corrections and Approvals –

Council Member Hartley moved to approve the Meeting Minutes dated 9/30/2025. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed.

Amendments to Agenda – None.

Comments from the Public – None.

Administrative Reports –

Mayor:

- 2025 Violations – 78 violations were issued for various reasons. 50 have been completed, 22 have committed to having them done by the end of 2025; 4 have committed to a completion time of spring of 2026. 7 of them have no commitment timeframe and the mayor will continue to get those on a timeframe. Mayor would like to thank all of the residents that have corrected their violations in a timely manner, which helps keep the town looking nice.

Solicitor: None.

Village Administrator/ Police Chief: VA Report was provided in Council Packets.

Councilman Hartley asked for a status update on the purchase of the Mathias property. VA stated that the land survey is being scheduled, and once completed the Village can move to setting a closing date.

Fiscal Officer: Nothing to report. Check register was provided in Council Packet.

- Authorized Expenditures 10/1/25-10/14/25

Safety: Report given by Rick Genovesi.

Fire Department –

- General discussion on the Fire Department's aging vehicles, and the maintenance of the older vehicles are becoming costly. VA will be talking with the Fire Chief about the possibility of a government loan to purchase a new vehicle. The department has 2 older tankers that could be sold to help pay for the purchase of a new vehicle.
- Fire Chief would like to update the Fire Department's kitchen.
- Department has had 136 runs in 2025 as of the beginning of October.

Police Department–

- Reviewed the number and nature of calls received in 2025.
- Discussed the need for more staff in the Police Department. VA stated that the staffing would be to replace the recent loss of 2 officers. The department does have one individual in the hiring process, and asks Council to motion to approve hiring the officer pending the successful completion of the psychology & physical evaluation. Council Member Genovesi moved to allow the Police Chief to hire Christopher Banas to the position of Police Officer at step A of the wage scale, pending successful completion of the psychology & physical evaluation. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed.

Utility Committee: Nothing to report. Next meeting is scheduled for 11/10/25 @6pm.

Finance, Audit, & Personnel: Nothing to report. Next meeting is scheduled for 10/27/25 @ 6pm.

Street & Service Committee: Nothing to report.

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Leisure: Report given by Tammy Bruner.

- Discussed America 250 activities in 2026. Preservation Society will be incorporating America 250 into their annual 4th of July picnic. Brick Street Block Party will also be incorporating America 250 into their event.
- Brick Street Committee advised the committee that for 2026, they will be asking to shut down a few more additional streets for safety reasons. They are also looking at having another large tent at the event.

Councilman Burns asked if there was any more conversation with the Give Thanks Foundation on the new community center. VA stated that he doesn't believe Tracy Fout is ready to have any concrete conversations just yet on the project. He believes it is something they are committed to seeing done in the future, but they are still in the funding stage.

- Christmas In The Park – Discussed plans for new lights and music in the park. VA stated that the new Light-O-Rama will cost around \$4,600, and donations have already started to be accepted for the purchase.

Planning: Report given by David Hartley.

Old Business – None.

New Business – None.

Announcements – Due to the 1st November meeting falling on a scheduled holiday, Council decided to move the meeting to November 10, 2025 @ 7pm.

Adjournment – Council Member Hartley moved to adjourn. Council Member Boolman seconded. All present council members voted yea. Meeting adjourned at 19:13pm.

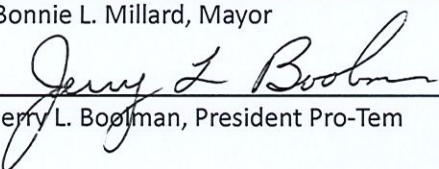
ATTEST:



Bonnie L. Millard, Mayor



Karen L. Deao, Fiscal Officer



Jerry L. Boolman, President Pro-Tem